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ABOUT US

The State of Nevada has become more dependent on the use of technology to carry out and conduct the mission of providing services to private citizens and other agencies. As a result of the continued growth in use of information technology the Office of Information Security was established to provide security guidance, oversight, and direction. This guidance promotes the protection of technical resources from unauthorized access, and to develop and coordinate plans for the recovery of critical systems and applications of the executive branch agencies.

The **OFFICE OF INFORMATION SECURITY** is comprised of the following functional security areas:

- * **Accreditation**
- * **Assessment**
- * **Awareness**
- * **Disaster Recovery**
- * **Technical Security Administration**

Technical Security Administration

Provides technical security consulting, develops secure system configuration, and establishes checklists to mitigate security vulnerabilities. Technical Security also provides assistance to agencies in developing policies, standards and procedures, establishes baseline behavior profiles and provides incident response services.

Disaster Recovery

Provides direction, coordination and consulting to State agencies to develop, test and maintain the agency's critical application disaster recovery plan (CADRP). This may include system, data, and communication backup/recovery plans designed to maintain the protection of agency assets. CADRP also supports agency mission critical systems and program functions are restored successfully. The Disaster Recovery unit provides reviews to identify potential risks, and coordination with agency personnel to develop strategies for mitigating risks.

Accreditation

Provides a method to assist the State to define critical systems, develop proper documentation and policies for protection of sites and critical systems. A refine score card system determines risks, challenges and required improvements needed in order to better prioritize realignment or request for additional resources to mitigate exposure to vulnerabilities. The Unit

provides Security accreditation, guidance, administration, consultation, management practices and oversight to State agencies.

Assessment

Conducts in-depth, comprehensive IT security assessments of sites and systems systematically identifying specific risks, threats, and vulnerabilities to an infrastructure. In addition, the assessment unit also provides information on the existing agency IT security posture and offers preliminary mitigation recommendations to reduce or eliminate exposure to unknown or unforeseen risk.

Awareness

Provides a continuous security awareness campaign primarily through the development, presentation and distribution of informative security awareness information. Statistics have proven that the majority, up to 80+% of all information security incidents and system failures, occur as a result of (un)intentional improper acts by authorized users. The awareness program provides users with the knowledge required to assist in the prevention of loss of these types of incidents.

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